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Railway Projects in Karnataka
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has studied in detail the railway development projects running late throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, Zone-wise; and

(c) the names of projects of Karnataka which have been decided to be completed on priority basis in the current and the next financial year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): Railway projects require clearances from various departments of Central/State Government like Forestry & Wild Life clearance, NOC for Road Crossings, Canal & Electrical crossings etc. Besides these, land acquisition is a major activity for commencement of work which takes a lot of time. The progress of all projects also depends on yearly allotment of funds. All these factors are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways and result in delay in execution of the projects.
All sanctioned projects are reviewed periodically, both at Ministry and Zonal Railway level for which there exists a well established mechanism. Project monitoring and removing impediments for their expeditious completion is a continuous exercise and is done at several levels i.e. Divisional, Zonal and Railway Board level. As this process of review is continuous and dynamic process, no centralized compendium is maintained.

(c): All projects are equally important for Indian Railways which include Projects falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka also. To facilitate capacity enhancement, Indian Railways are taking up doubling / multiple line projects presently on priority compared to Gauge Conversion & New Line projects because of their capital intensiveness and long gestation period. A list of doubling projects falling fully/partly in the State of Karnataka is appended.

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